

THE INDIANA
STATE SENTINEL.
"UNION, VIGILANCE, PERSEVERANCE."
INDIANAPOLIS, DECEMBER 30, 1841.

Congress.

Dec. 17.—In the House of Representatives, the day was principally occupied with a discussion growing out of a proposition to refer that portion of the President's Message recommending that a committee of Congress to its functions of raising money and managing the government, not to the committee of ways and means, but to that of Manufactures—the Tariff men of course favoring its reference to the latter committee. The discussion was not concluded when the House adjourned on Monday the 29th. Both Houses have had out a large amount of business.

MADISON AND INDIANAPOLIS RAIL ROAD.—Mr. Williams, the chief engineer of the State, in reference to the Madison and Indianapolis railroad, submitted to the House, on yesterday (27th inst.), the following information.—“The road between Vernon and Griffith's has been completed, and is now in use. The amount expended for grading and building the road between Griffith's and Edinburg, is \$253,142 82; amount required to complete the same is \$40,000 00—making a total cost of grading and building \$253,142 82. The whole amount of work performed on the road, since the appropriation made to the 31st of October, which, by law, is chargeable to the special appropriation of \$400,000, including the amount due J. H. Hendricks & Son, is \$257,093 00, leaving a balance of the appropriation of \$142,910 00. This balance together with the account for iron, horses, mowers, tools, lumber, for the grading and completing the track with the flat bar to Edinburg, and leaving a balance of \$52,153 00, or, with an appropriation of \$52,153 00, in addition to the iron appropriation, it will finish the grading and complete the track to Edinburg with the T-bar.”

—When the portion of the citizens of Posey county, praying for the abolition of the State Board of Equalization, was presented on Thursday afternoon last, by Mr. Davis, it is said that Mr. PITCHER, the Senator from Posey and Vanderburgh looked exceedingly queer. He appeared to be not a little surprised, that his constituents were still desirous of abolishing that board, after knowing that he was adverse to their wishes. The citizens of Posey do not seem disposed to be “headed” by their representative's “veto,” quietly. They probably do not believe in such a “one man” power.

—Michael Aker, whom we recently sent to sit in the Senate of this State, wishes to receive a man of him? We shall do no such thing; but merely request the publishers of the country papers to get an article written by him, and published in the Daily Journal (perhaps they will not put it in their weekly) and set it as they shall feel disposed.

—The House of Representatives, on yesterday (27th), succeeded in clearing its bills of all its measures, heretofore presented, or acted on, and consequently adjourned at an early hour for the purpose of enabling the committees to progress with the business before them. The Senate, although only half as large as the House, are tedious in their deliberations, and must take the responsibility of a long session, if one occurs. We trust the prompt action of the House will impel the Senate to a more speedy organization, and that divers and sundry long-winded speeches about being made for “Bumcombe,” will be delivered by theirrators. The Democratic House has set a good example in this particular. We trust that aristocratic branch will follow in its footsteps.

BUSINESS MEN.—We were amused and considerably gratified yesterday in the House. It appeared that Mr. Lawrence, from Jefferson, known by the aristocratic whigs as the *drayman*, was at the head of a committee on some business. He had made several attempts to get the other business to attend to, had neglected that of the committee, Mr. Lawrence did not like this dilatory manner of doing business, and having made up a report for the minority, over which it appears the “wise voice of business” still hangs, and they promised to attend to their business today.

MR. HENDRICKS.—It has been said by some that Mr. Hendricks, from Shelby, could not make a speech. Would to God that every public servant of the people, could make such a speech—could say as much in ten as many words—could concentrate facts and lay them as plainly before the public, as did Mr. Hendricks in his speech on reorganizing the Board of Equalization, in the House on yesterday. His constituents should be proud of such a man. He stands out in bold relief from the mass of noisy puffedoggers and bank internal improvement members of either side.

ANTI-CLIMAX.—In the Greensburg Sentinel of Dec. 23 we find a letter from a correspondent of that paper, dated at Indianapolis, and giving some legislative information. Speaking of the bill for abolishing imprisonment for debt, the writer observes that its passage was advocated, among others—

By Mr. MARSHALL, in an eloquent appeal to the better feelings of our nature, which, like the ivy shoulder of Pelops, converted all who heard. Marshall is a honest, but a lone ascetic. Yet to the man, who walks him, when he rises in his might and majesty of intellect, and shakes off the shackles which the *aristocratic whigs* have cast around—then rises again like a lion, and dashes the strokes of a tit-hammer and the sheaf of his logical invention and destruction as shot from the loud-voiced horn of an oratorical Clydes.

Mr. Marshall will please come and subscribe for 5 more copies of our Daily.

The wild hurrah of party is the surer method of sifting truth and propounding falsehood.—*Journal.*

A truth so great truth of which the Hard Cider canaries were a continual illustration, never to be forgotten by the present generation. It is wonderful that the writer could have so absent minded as to put it into an article written for a federal paper. He was endeavoring to bamboozle the democrats, however. That may account for it.

SCANDALOUS.—Verily the Journal seems to be quite as unfortunate in its correspondence as in its editorial matter. Who would have thought, a few months ago, to have seen such an article in the Journal as that signed by the *Funk Tool, PARLIMENT?* Does the Bank, its Managers, its Attorneys, or its Servs, suppose that such a disgraceful, vulgar and obscene attack upon the true representatives of the people's will, can subserve its popular interests? If so, we can tell them, that they will soon have practical lessons of their mistake. The venom of the crew, as well as their power, has been neutralized by their brain voluntary.

TO HARR.—Our friend of the Bloomington Post speaks of putting us against George D. Prentiss, of the Louisville Journal. This is rather a severe hit at us; for although we are willing to condone occasionally to notice a “slavering” senator, who neglects the business of his constituents (if, indeed, he is qualified to attend to it properly,) to write editorial articles for a newspaper, abusing better men than himself, yet it would be getting far beneath even that level to suffer ourselves to be put down again as abolitionists who had been ridden on a rail out of his own native town in Connecticut. Don't mention it again, Marcus.

MORE CORN.—If those who desire to play their sub-scription in Corn, do not hasten, they will lose the chance. Mr. Featherston has left us with several specimens of the best corn we have seen in the State—indeed, a finer crop such specimens and we should have winter's supply. Farmers had better call and examine, and take a little for seed. His sons have also sent several specimens of corn raised by them. The finest kind are for winter use.

—A Little Trifling Sheet” as one Michael Aker calls the Indiana State Sentinel, caused him to look over a large shingle, and cudged out of his skull half a column of twaddle. Be wary, Mike; we would not hurt you for the world.

The list of Congressional committees, says the Globe, will show that the Democratic majority in the House, though representing a vast majority in the country, are excluded from all power those bodies which originate the business of Congress.

Henry A. Wise has published in the Madisonian a long letter, which may be regarded as a counter manifesto to the whig Address published immediately after the extraordinary session. Wise denominates the Clay faction of the Federal party as the “incorrigibles,” and he reviles them throughout with great bitterness.

It is rumored that the Cairo Bank of Illinois has again exploded.

LONG LOOKED FOR COME AT LAST.

General STAPP has at length made his report or answer to the charges of Governor NOLLE. It was read to the House of Representatives by Charles H. Test, Esq., on yesterday morning—occupying three hours in its reading—and such a document the like whereof we hope never again to see in Indiana. Such a detail of Bank Villanies, in which our Fund Commissioners have been the dupes, we trust will never again be placed on record to the remotest time.

Upon the head of NOAH NOLLE, and his Internal Improvement Officers, will be visited the fiercest indignation of the People of the State; far, whether he and these instruments, backed by the great Whig Party, have been the means of prostrating Indiana to her present low and degraded condition? Take for example the acts of the Whig Senate, two years since, in confirming General STAPP in office. This is the theory, now if the practice.—We do not know what the right hand man of Governor Nolle, one of the chief advocates for sustaining General STAPP in office!

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